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In re Patent Application of:  
Hiroyoshi Funato

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For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS HAVING  
IMPROVED HOLOGRAPHIC OPTICAL  
ELEMENT AND PHOTODETECTOR

Examiner: A. Y. Chang

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are reflected on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.